

IN THE CLAIMS

1-28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously presented) An isolated nucleic acid molecule that encodes a protein selected from the group consisting of a protein comprising amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1873 and a protein that is at least 95% identical to SEQ ID NO:1873, wherein said protein has chloride channel activity.

30. (Previously presented) The nucleic acid molecule of Claim 29, wherein said nucleic acid molecule encodes a protein comprising amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1873.

31. (Previously presented) A recombinant molecule comprising a nucleic acid molecule as set forth in Claim 29 operatively linked to a transcription control sequence.

32. (Previously presented) A recombinant virus comprising a nucleic acid molecule as set forth in Claim 29.

33. (Previously presented) A recombinant cell comprising a nucleic acid molecule as set forth in Claim 29.

Please cancel claims 34-36, without prejudice.

37. (Previously presented) A composition comprising an excipient and an isolated nucleic acid molecule that encodes a protein selected from the group consisting of a protein comprising amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1873 and a protein that is at least 95% identical to SEQ ID NO:1873, wherein said protein has chloride channel activity.

38. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 37, wherein said composition further comprises a component selected from the group consisting of an adjuvant and a carrier.

39-47. (Canceled)

48. (Currently amended) An isolated *C. felis* cDNA molecule or a *C. felis* RNA molecule ~~nucleic acid molecule~~ comprising a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:1872, SEQ ID NO:1874, SEQ ID NO:1875 and SEQ ID NO:1876.

49. (Currently amended) The nucleic acid molecule of Claim 48, wherein said ~~nucleic acid~~ cDNA or RNA molecule encodes a protein comprising amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1873.

50. (Currently amended) A recombinant molecule comprising a ~~nucleic acid~~ cDNA or RNA molecule as set forth in Claim 48 operatively linked to a transcription control sequence.

51. (Currently amended) A recombinant virus comprising a ~~nucleic acid~~ cDNA or RNA molecule as set forth in Claim 48.

52. (Currently amended) A recombinant cell comprising a ~~nucleic acid~~ cDNA or RNA molecule as set forth in Claim 48.

53. (Previously presented) An isolated nucleic acid molecule fully complementary to a nucleic acid molecule of Claim 29.